



## Hurricane Evacuation Studies for FEMA

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**Status:**

In Progress

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**Purpose:**

The Hurricane Evacuation Study (HES) Program provides state and county emergency management officials with state-of-the-art information on the major factors affecting hurricane evacuation planning and decision-making, and the skills and training aids necessary to educate the public.

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**Objective:**

The desired end result is a prepared government and informed public.

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**Benefits:**

State and local managers have sound data and information to aide their decision making.

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**Progress:**

The HES program has been the most successful integration of Federal agencies (USACE, FEMA, NOAA (NWS & NOS)) to accomplish a single purpose in the last half century.

Reduction in deaths due to drowning from the effects of storm surge, to the point where this is no longer the leading cause of death from hurricanes.

Evacuation studies for each state, or the Atlantic, Gulf of Mexico and islands in the Caribbean and Pacific Regions.

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**Products:**

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**Related Links:**

- [Comprehensive Hurricane Data Preparedness Study Web Site](#) (project web site)
  - [South FL Hurricane Evacuation Study](#)
  - [Mobile District Hurricane Evacuation Planning](#)
  - [Wilmington District Hurricane Evacuation Studies](#)
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**Partners:**

FEMA, NWS, NOS, ARC

